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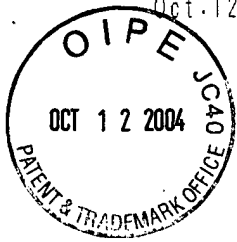
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowability mailed September 30, 2004, Applicant submits the following remarks responsive to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.



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REMARKS

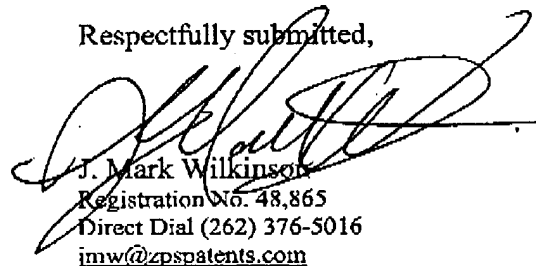
In response to the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance, Applicant believes that a separate Statement of Reasons for Allowance is unnecessary in the present case as the file history sufficiently sets forth the patentable distinctions of claims 31-50.

The patentability of claims 31-50 lies in each claim as a whole. That is, a single particular element or feature of a claim does not define the claim's patentability, but rather, it is each of the elements and the interconnection therebetween that define that which is claimed. The claims cannot be considered to be limited in scope based on this brief statement by the Examiner. Further, the claims are not limited only to a particular figure set forth in the specification and must be read to cover embodiments of the invention not specifically described in the specification or shown in the figures.

The Examiner's paraphrasing of the claims may or may not be accurate. Applicant does not acquiesce to the accuracy of the Examiner's statements in the Reasons for Allowance.

Entry of these remarks is appreciated and Applicant cordially invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned, should the Examiner consider any matters unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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